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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009—10 REGULAR SESSION

## ASSEMBLY BILL

**No. 320**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Solorio**

February 18, 2009

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An act to amend Section 15820.917 of the Government Code, relating to county jails.

### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 320, as amended, Solorio. County jails: reentry facilities.

Existing law provides state financing for construction-siting of county jails, subject to matching funds from counties, as specified. Existing law requires the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation and the Corrections Standards Authority to give funding preference for those purposes to counties that assist the state in siting reentry facilities, as specified.

This bill would require the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation and the Corrections Standards Authority to give coequal funding preference to counties that assist the state in either siting reentry facilities or providing beds in county jails for use as reentry facilities. *The bill would provide that counties interested in providing reentry services to state inmates shall be required to enter into an agreement with the department to provide those services and that the department shall certify that the proposed reentry services meet their approval. The bill would provide that the changes made by this act are prospective only.*

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section 15820.917 of the Government Code is amended to read:

15820.917. (a) Participating county matching funds for projects funded under this chapter shall be a minimum of 25 percent of the total project costs. The CSA may reduce matching fund requirements for participating counties with a general population below 200,000 upon petition by a participating county to the CSA requesting a lower level of matching funds.

(b) (1) The CDCR and CSA shall give coequal funding preference to counties that assist the state in either siting reentry facilities or providing beds in county jails for use as reentry facilities, pursuant to Chapter 9.8 (commencing with Section 6270) of Title 7 of Part 3 of the Penal Code.

(2) *Counties interested in providing reentry services to state inmates shall be required to enter into an agreement with the CDCR to provide those services and the CDCR shall certify that the proposed reentry services meet their approval.*

(c) ~~The department~~ CDCR shall give funding preference to counties that assist the state in siting mental health day treatment and crisis care, pursuant to Section 3073 of the Penal Code, and to counties who provide a continuum of care so that parolees with mental health and substance abuse needs can continue to receive services at the conclusion of their period of parole.

(d) *The amendments made to this section in the 2009–10 Regular Session by the act that added this subdivision are prospective only and not intended to affect any Phase 1 grant awards that were made prior to the enactment of this act.*